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### MINNESOTA'S NOVEMBER MILK OUTPUT UP 5 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

November 2012 milk production totaled 739 million pounds in Minnesota, up 5 percent from the 707 million pounds produced in November 2011, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. October 2012 milk output was unrevised at 746 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,590 pounds in November 2012, up 70 pounds from last November. The unrevised October 2012 rate was 1,605 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during November 2012 was 465 thousand head, unchanged from the October 2012 number, and unchanged from one year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first eleven months of 2012 was 8.29 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the same period a year ago.

### NOVEMBER MILK PRODUCTION UP 1 PERCENT

Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 1 percent from November 2011. October revised production at 15.2 billion pounds, was down slightly from October 2011. The October revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,758 pounds for November, 19 pounds above November 2011. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 3,000 head less than November 2011, but 8,000 head more than October 2012.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major States for the first eleven months of 2012 was 171 billion pounds, up 2 percent from the same period a year ago.

### MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	Nov 2011	Oct 2012 Rev.	Nov 2012	Nov 2011	Oct 2012 Rev.	Nov 2012	Nov 2011	Oct 2012 Rev.	Nov 2012	2012 as % of 2011
	<u>Thousand Head</u>			<u>Pounds</u>			<u>Million Pounds</u>			<u>Percent</u>
CA	1,778	1,778	1,780	1,880	1,860	1,835	3,343	3,307	3,266	97.7
ID	579	577	579	1,840	1,970	1,880	1,065	1,137	1,089	102.3
<b>MN</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>1,520</b>	<b>1,605</b>	<b>1,590</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>746</b>	<b>739</b>	<b>104.5</b>
NY	610	610	610	1,680	1,775	1,735	1,025	1,083	1,058	103.2
PA	538	533	533	1,580	1,630	1,600	850	869	853	100.4
WI	1,265	1,271	1,271	1,660	1,775	1,730	2,100	2,256	2,199	104.7
23 States	8,475	8,464	8,472	1,739	1,792	1,758	14,742	15,166	14,898	101.1

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